



SOPHE History 1960 - 1969

| YEAR | EVENT | PERSONS | SIGNIFICANCE |
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| 1960-1964 | Membership numbers | | Following a dues increase, membership dropped from 381 ('60) to 295 ('61) and rebounded to 375 ('64) |
| 1961-1965 | Budget | | Ranged from \$7,580 ('62) to \$10,920 ('65) per year |
| 1961 | School Health Education Study | Board of Trustees | Passed resolution to cooperate with SHES, funded by Samuel Bronfman Foundation |
| 1961 | Discontinued publishing Proceedings | Board of Trustees | Decided that the Newsletter would be used to report the proceedings of the annual meetings |
| 1961 | Broadening membership criteria | Board of Trustees | Approved revisions of the Constitution and Bylaws to permit persons with degrees from schools of public health, but without experience, to hold membership; those with other than a graduate degree from a school of public health needed three years of experience to hold membership |
| 1961-1965 | Health Education Monographs | Publications Committee | Published 11 issues |
| 1962 | Health Research | Board of Trustees | Spent \$234 for legal services and |



| | Council | | |
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| | | | incorporation fees to assist the Council, which had been developed by SOPHE, in incorporating as a separate organization |
| 1962 | San Francisco-Bay Area Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the first regional chapter |
| 1962 | An Executive Director Of IUHE | Winona Bannister | Employed by SOPHE on part-time basis; this improved flow of correspondence and record keeping |
| 1962 | Permanent Office | Board of Trustees | Established central office in Rye, New York |
| 1962 | Honorary Fellowships | Board of Trustees | Awarded the second Honorary Fellowship to Annette LeMeitour Kaplun and the third to Sioma Kaplun |
| 1962-1965 | SOPHE Citations | SOPHE Executive Committee | Awarded Citations to SOPHE members, including A. helen Martikainen, Lucy A. Morgan, Beryl J. Roberts, and Sol S. Lifson, and non-members, including Howard A. Rusk, Paul Dudley White, William C. Menninger, and Benjamin M. Spock |
| 1962-1965 | Annual Mona B. Sheckman Lecturer | SOPHE Executive Committee | Selected three lecturers, including George James (1962), Warren A. Kraetzer (1963), and Herman E. Hilleboe (1965) |
| 1963 | National Capitol Area Chapter and Southern California Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the second and third regional chapters |



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| 1963-1965 | Local Chapters | Board of Trustees | Assigned local chapters specific problems to study |
| 1964 | North Carolina Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the fourth regional chapter |
| 1964 | Emeritus Fellow | Board of Trustees | Established the membership category of Emeritus Fellow with the rights of active SOPHE fellows, but with reduced dues |
| 1965 | Honorary Fellowship Award | Board of Trustees | Awarded the Honorary Fellowship to Sally Lucas Jean |
| 1965 | Ohio Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the fifth regional chapter |
| 1965-1970 | No SOPHE Newsletter | Board of Trustees | Due to financial difficulties, no newsletter was published |
| 1965-1970 | Membership growth | Membership Committee | Mild positive growth during this period from 405 ('65) to 550 ('70) |
| 1966 | No Mona B. Sheckman Foundation Award | | Decision not to grant money to SOPHE for this award was based on SOPHE's tax status, which did not provide tax exemption for donations |
| 1966 | Tri-State Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the sixth regional chapter, which included new Jersey, New York, and Delaware |
| 1966 | Honorary Fellowship | Board of Trustees | Presented this award to Dorothy B. Nyswander and Clair E. Turner |
| 1966 | Relocation of Central Office | Board of Trustees | Decided in 1965 to relocate the central office from Rye, New York to New York City |



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| 1966-1970 | Financial Crisis | Board of Trustees | Had to use financial reserves in 1965; experienced a deficit in 1966, which required bills of 1966 to be paid in 1967. Donations were made by the Capitol Area chapter, the American Cancer Society, and individual members. A special 5-year membership dues of \$100 lump sum payment for 1968-1972 was approved. Volunteers provided services; members who had received an honorarium for training Peace Corps volunteers donated \$500 to SOPHE |
| 1967 | Change in Central Office Staff | Board of Trustees | Approved a move from a part-time executive director to a full-time administrative secretary. Winona Banister continued as executive director through February 1967. Helen T. Gardella became the administrative secretary in March 1967 |
| 1967-1970 | SOPHE Board Highlights | Staff and Board | Due to lack of a newsletter, staff and volunteers of the Board of Trustees produced and distributed highlights of the board meetings |
| 1967 | Statement of Goals | Board of Trustees | Adopted the Statement of Goals |
| 1967 | Ad Hoc Committee on Pre-Professional Preparation | Board of Trustees | Established this ad hoc committee to examine training programs and employment classifications of paraprofessionals in health agencies |
| 1968 | New England Chapter | Board of Trustees | Recognized the seventh regional chapter |



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| 1968 | Survey of Membership | Committee on Membership Communications | Found 71% of membership in SOPHE to be health educators; others were administrators, health care providers, students, and other. Twenty-two percent worked for local government or voluntary agencies, 24% for colleges and universities, 17% for federal government or national voluntary agencies, 2% for hospitals or clinics, and 15% were self-employed or worked for other than the above. 68% were members of chapters |
| 1968-1972 | Basic Bibliographies | Research and Studies Committee | Published and distributed Basic Bibliographies both to meet a perceived need of health educators and to generate income for SOPHE; it generated \$600 |
| 1969 | Reincorporation | Board of Trustees | Approved a plan for reincorporation |
| 1969 | Consultants on Quality Assurance | Committee on Professional Preparation and Practice | Organized nine regional panels of health education specialists for use by APHA when conducting accreditation reviews and site visits |
| 1969 | Recommendation on Pre-professional Preparation | Executive Committee | Contacted the Professional Examination Service of APHA with suggestion that it solicit recommendations for achieving greater uniformity in training and use of aids in health education functions |
| 1969 | Special Issue of Health Education Monographs | American Cancer Society | ACS contracted the special issue on cancer research with financial support of \$2,500 |
| 1969 | Approval of Plan to Change the name of | Board of Trustees | Conveyed the concept that SOPHE is devoted primarily to |



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